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**Re:** Application of Herman  
Serial No. 10/727,446  
Filed: 12/03/2003  
Art Unit: 3643  
Our Docket No.: 24873  
For: "Use of a low-nitrogen fertilizer to propagate shoots from a log."

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- Response to Final Office Action (6 pages)

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Applicant: B. Herman Attorney Docket No.: WEYE121341/24873  
Application No.: 10/727,446 Art Unit: 3643 / Confirmation No: 7090  
Filed: December 3, 2003 Examiner: Jeffrey L. Gellner  
Title: USE OF A LOW NITROGEN FERTILIZER TO PROPAGATE SHOOTS  
FROM A LOG

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Examiner's final Office Action, dated February 6, 2006, please reconsider the application in view of the remarks that follow.

**Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 2 of this paper.**

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